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Title: DEPLOYMENT APPARATUS FOR SUTURE ANCHORING DEVICE
Assignee: Ethicon, Inc.

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<u>43</u>	Pages of Specification
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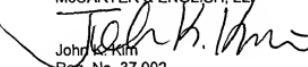
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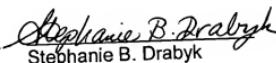
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